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1. The following Hungarian oilfields are located southeast of Lake Balaton:

<u>Name of Field</u>	<u>No. of Wells</u>	<u>No. being exploited</u>
Lovaszai	145	75
Budafa Puszta	132	64
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Inke	2	1 with salt water 1 with crude oil emulsion.

2. Crude oil production in Hungary amounts to 425,000 tons per year. The crude oil production is gradually declining, with the simultaneous increase of gas production, the proportion\* being 1,200:1 of gas to oil.

3. Gasoline is being extracted from gas at two plants:

- a. At Lovaszai the gas refinery produces fifty tons per day. Ninety to one hundred grams of gasoline is obtained from one cubic meter of gas under pressure of four atmospheres.
- b. At Kerettye the gas refinery produces forty tons per day. Two hundred and twenty grams of gasoline is obtained from one cubic meter of gas under pressure of four atmospheres.

4. There is a soot factory at Lovaszai where one hundred kilograms of soot are obtained for the rubber industry by burning 10,000 cubic meters of gas.

5. The Head Administration of the oil wells is at Nagykanizsa where there are also well-equipped laboratories and stores.

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7. High pressure valves, pipe heads, clutches, and drilling rods are produced by the Manfred Weiss firm of Budapest. The production amounts to 1,200 tons per month, all of which is exported to the USSR.

8. "Bentonite" and "Aquagel", necessary for oil well drilling, are produced by three firms:

- a. Varszeli es Frits, Sarospatak (K 59).
- b. Magyar Kaolin mivek Rt, Budapest.
- c. Altalanos Ipari, Budapest.

\* ☐ Comment: It is assumed that this proportion applies to volume.

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